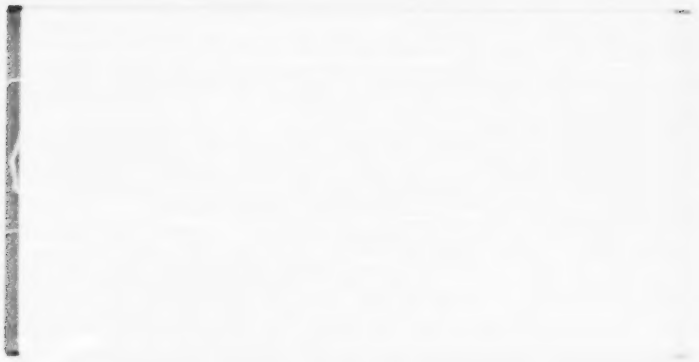

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STRATHCONA PLANNING NEIGHBOURHOOD

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1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this profile is to provide a general socio-economic description of the geographical area defined by the Strathcona planning neighbourhood located in the western part of the City of Hamilton. The borders of this area are: the C.N.R. railway tracks to the north; Main Street West to the south; Queen Street South to the east; and the Chedoke Expressway to the west (refer to neighbourhood location map - Figure 1).

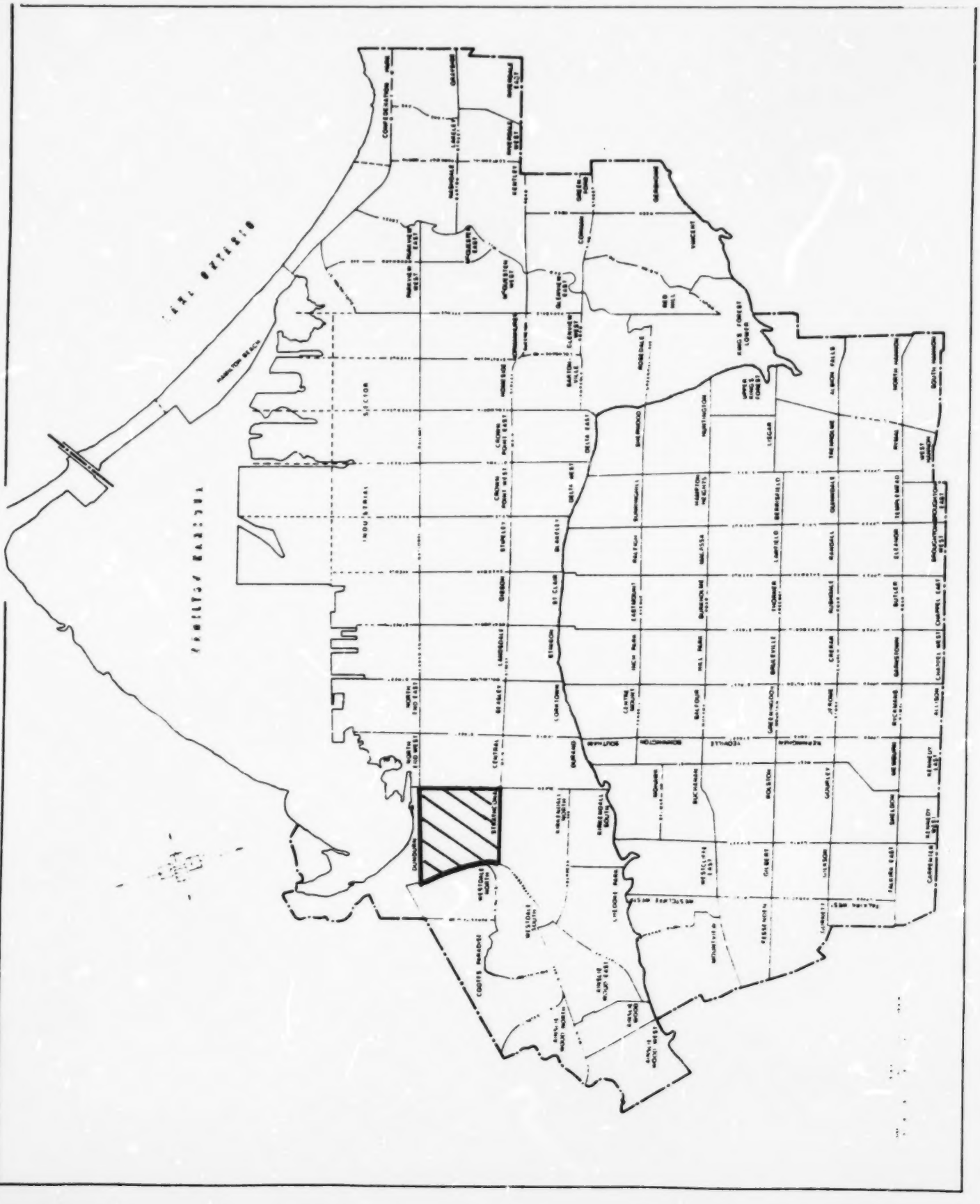
The report contains information and data concerning a variety of neighbourhood characteristics including:

a) trends in population and population composition;
b) physical land-use characteristics;
c) an overview of the housing situation;
d) the composition of families;
e) significant socio-economic indicators;
f) a listing of local community services; and,
g) the utilization of human services.

Where possible, statistical information for the Strathcona neighbourhood has been compared to data available for the City of Hamilton (averages).

At the conclusion of the profile, a brief summary of highlights of the socio-economic data of the neighbourhood is presented.

FIGURE 1: STRATHCONA NEIGHBOURHOOD LOCATION MAP



2. DEFINITIONS

The following has been drawn from information supplied by Statistics Canada regarding the proper 'definitions' for certain data contained in this report:

Age:

Refers to age at last birthday (as of the Census reference date, 3 June 1981).

Mother Tongue:

The first language learned in childhood and still understood by an individual.

Religion:

Refers to specific religious groups or bodies, denominations, sects, cults or religious communities.

Labour Force Activity:

The labour market activity of the population 15 years of age and over, excluding inmates, who in the week prior to enumeration (3 June 1981) were employed, unemployed of not in the labour force.

Employed:

Includes those persons who, during the week prior to enumeration:

a) did any work at all; or
b) were absent from their jobs or businesses because of own temporary illness or disability, vacation, labour dispute at their place of work, or absent for other reasons.

Unemployment Rate:

Refers to the percentage the unemployed force forms of the total labour force (in the reference week) in an area, group

or category. The unemployed includes those persons who, during the week prior to enumeration:

a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks and were available for work; or
b) had been on lay-off for 26 weeks or less and expected to return to their job; or
c) had definite arrangements to start a new job in four weeks or less.

Participation Rate:

Refers to the percentage the total labour force (in the reference week) forms of the total population 15 years of age and over, excluding inmates, in an area, group or category.

Less Than Grade 9 Education:

Refers to the percentage of the population 15 years of age and over with less than any secondary education (includes Kindergarten to Grade 8 and those with no schooling).

Occupied Private Dwelling:

A private dwelling in which a person or group of persons is permanently residing.

Private Household:

A person or group of persons (other than foreign residents) who occupy a private dwelling and do not have a usual place of residence elsewhere in Canada. The number of private households equals the number of occupied private dwellings.

Gross Rent:

The total average monthly payments paid by tenant household to secure shelter. Gross rent includes payments for electricity, oil, gas, coal, wood or other fuels, water and other municipal services and monthly cash rent.

Value of Dwelling:

The amount expected by the owner if the dwelling were to be sold.

Census Family:

Consists of a husband and wife (with or without children who have never married, regardless of age) or a lone-parent, regardless of marital status, with one or more children (who have never married, regardless of age) living in the same dwelling.

Husband-Wife Family:

Consists of a husband and a wife (with or without children) or persons who live in common-law (with or without children).

Lone-Parent Family:

Consists of a parent, regardless of marital status (with no spouse present) with one or more children living in the same dwelling.

Total Income:

The sum of amounts received during 1980 by an income recipient (15 years of age and over) from all sources.

Average Income:

The average family/household income refers to the weighted mean total income of families/households in 1980. (Family/household total income refers to the sum of the total incomes of the members of the family or household, 15 years of age and over).

Average Employment Income:

The weighted mean total employment income per unit of a particular group. (Employment income refers to the total income received by persons 15 years of age and over during 1980 as wages and salaries, net income from non-farm self-employment and/or net farm income).

Average Census Family Income:

Refer to definition of 'Average Income'.

Average Private Household Income:

Refer to definition of 'Average Income'.

Economic Family:

A group of two or more persons who live in the same dwelling and are related to each other by blood, marriage or adoption. Persons living common-law are considered, for Census purposes, as now married.

Incidence of Low Income:

The incidence of low income is the percentage of family units below the low income cut-off points. On the basis of the total income of a family unit adjusted for federal Child Tax Credit, size of family limit and size of the area of residence, the position of each unattached individual and economic family is determined in relation to low income cut-offs based on the 1978 Family Expenditure Survey and updated by changes in the Consumer Price Index.

3. POPULATION

3.1 Past Trends

During the past three decades (1951-1981), the population of the Strathcona neighbourhood decreased by 711 people (or 10.1%). Except for a slight increase in 1961, the population steadily decreased each given year as Table 1 illustrates. By 1981, the population had begun to rise and showed an increase of 9.8%.

TABLE 1

PAST POPULATION TRENDS (1951-1981)*

Year	Population	Percent Change
1951	7,012	-
1956	6,896	- 1.7
1961	6,942	+ 0.7
1966	6,741	- 2.9
1971	6,390	- 5.2
1976	5,739	- 10.2
1981	6,301	+ 9.8

* Please note that, due to Census recording methods, the information in this table is reported for the geographic area which most closely approximated the Strathcona neighbourhood boundaries. These boundaries were: King Street West; C.N.R. tracks; Queen Street South; and the Chedoke Expressway.

Source: Statistics Canada

3.2 Current Trends

As shown by Table 2, the Strathcona population experienced small increases up until 1982. By 1985, the population decreased slightly and it is estimated that by the year 2000, the population will further decline by about 12%. The Strathcona neighbourhood currently represents 2.5% of the total City population.

TABLE 2

CURRENT POPULATION TRENDS (1977-1985)

Year	Population	Percent Change
1977	7,233	-
1978	7,295	+ 0.9
1979	7,388	+ 1.3
1980	7,628	+ 3.2
1982	7,883	+ 3.3
1985	7,831	- 0.7
2001 (estimate)	6,900	- 11.9

Source: Planning and Development Department of Hamilton-Wentworth

3.3 Population Composition

3.3.1 Age and Sex Composition

The Strathcona population can be broken down by age and sex into five year groups as Table 3 presents. The statistics in Table 3 are pictorally represented as a population pyramid in Figure 2.

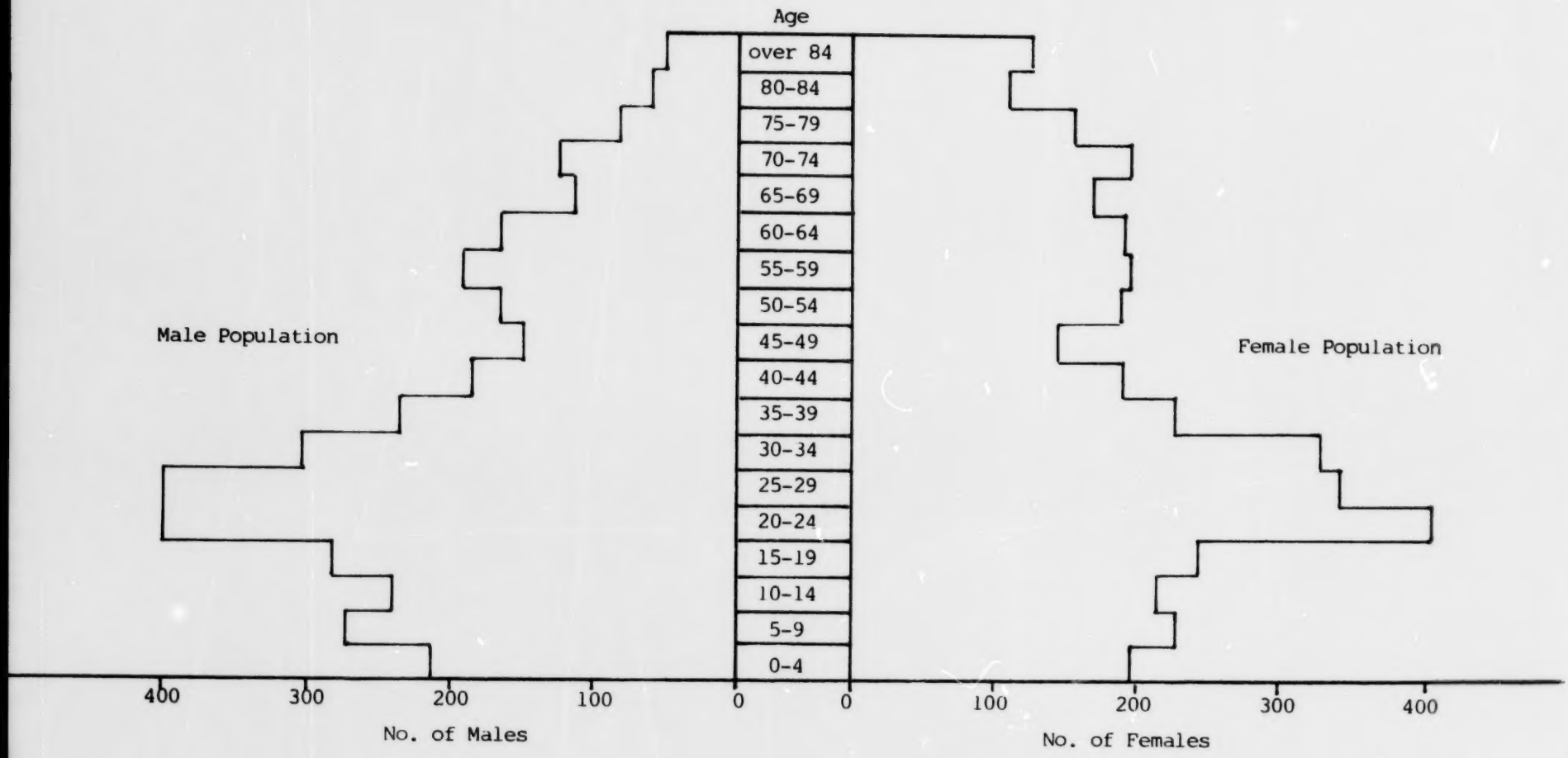
TABLE 3

AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION (1985)

Age Group	Males	Females	Total	Percent of Total
0-4	213	195	408	5.5
5-9	273	225	498	6.7
10-14	236	213	449	6.0
15-19	280	240	520	7.0
20-24	397	404	801	10.8
25-29	397	339	736	9.9
30-34	300	328	628	8.5
35-39	232	225	457	6.2
40-44	181	184	365	4.9
45-49	148	145	293	3.9
50-54	164	185	349	4.7
55-59	188	194	382	5.1
60-64	162	191	353	4.8
65-69	112	171	283	3.8
70-74	123	194	317	4.3
75-79	78	159	237	3.2
80-84	60	114	174	2.3
over 84	49	128	177	2.4
Total	3,593	3,834	7,427	100.0
Age Not Known			404	
Total Population			7,831	

Source: Planning and Development Department of Hamilton-Wentworth

FIGURE 2: POPULATION PYRAMID (1985)



Source: Planning and Development Department of Hamilton-Wentworth

Females compose 51.6% of the Strathcona population while males compose 48.4% of the population. This is comparable to the City of Hamilton figures which are 51.8% and 48.2% respectively.

Figure 2 illustrates how males and females are distributed differently by age group. There are more females (30%) age fifty and up than males, and slightly more males (6%) between the ages of 0 to 49 than females.

3.3.2 Structural Composition

The neighbourhood's proportion of young people, working people and senior citizens is compared to similar figures for the City in Table 4. As shown, the proportions for both Strathcona and the City are relatively the same.

TABLE 4

COMPARISON OF POPULATION STRUCTURE (1985)

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton	
	No.	Percent	No.	Percent
Youth (under 16)	1,461	20.2	57,156	19.3
Working Population*	4,778	66.0	200,106	67.6
Seniors (over 64)	1,011	13.9	38,596	13.0
Sub-Total	7,250	100.0	295,858	100.0
Age Unknown	581		11,282	
Total Population	7,831		307,140	

* Potential 'working population' between the ages of 16 and 64 years.

Source: Planning and Development Department of Hamilton-Wentworth.

3.3.3 Marital Status

As indicated by Table 5, Strathcona has a somewhat lower proportion of married people and slightly higher proportions of single, widowed, and divorced people.

TABLE 5

COMPARISON OF MARITAL STATUS (1981)

Marital Status	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No.	Percent	Percent
Single	3,385	44.1	41.2
Married	3,455	45.0	49.9
Widowed	605	7.9	6.2
Divorced	225	3.0	2.7
TOTAL	7,670	100.0	100.0

Source: Statistics Canada

3.3.4 Religious Affiliation

Table 6 presents information about the religious affiliations of the neighbourhood in 1981. Nearly half of the Strathcona population (47.2%) is Catholic - about 8% higher than the City average. United, Anglican, and Presbyterian were the next three largest church affiliations. About 10% of the population has no religious affiliation at all.

TABLE 6

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION (1981)

Religious Affiliation	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No.	Percent	Percent
Anglican	760	9.9	14.3
Baptist	325	4.2	3.4
Catholic	3,615	47.2	38.9
Eastern Orthodox	95	1.2	2.9
Jewish	25	0.3	0.9
Lutheran	100	1.3	2.1
Pentecostal	50	0.7	1.2
Presbyterian	545	7.1	8.1
United Church	860	11.2	15.2
Other Protestant Bodies	145	1.9	3.9
No Religious Preference	755	9.8	6.8
Other	390	5.1	2.3
TOTAL	7,665	100.0	100.0

Source: Statistics Canada

3.3.5 Ethnic Origin

The ethnic mix of the Strathcona neighbourhood is illustrated in Table 7.

Only 41% of the Strathcona population reported their origins as British compared to 52% for the City. Compared to the City average, Strathcona is characterized by a high ethnic proportion of people of Chinese and Portuguese descent. Portuguese people form 14.4% of the Strathcona population but only 1.9% of the City's population. Strathcona also contains a slightly higher proportion of Italians - 12.8% as opposed to 10.7%.

TABLE 7

ETHNIC ORIGIN (1981)

Ethnic Group	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No.	Percent	Percent
Balkans	20	0.3	3.1
Baltic	50	0.7	0.8
British	3,115	41.0	52.0
British and Other	285	3.7	4.4
Czech and Slovak	75	1.0	0.5
Chinese	420	5.5	0.7
Dutch	60	0.8	1.8
French	215	2.8	3.7
German	175	2.3	3.3
Greek	50	0.7	0.8
Hungarian Magyar	85	1.1	1.4
Indo-Pakistani	95	1.2	0.9
Italian	980	12.8	10.7
Jewish	20	0.3	0.8
N & S American	100	1.3	0.6
Native	75	1.0	0.8
Polish	125	1.6	2.7
Portuguese	1,105	14.4	1.9
Ukrainian	105	1.4	2.2
Other	505	6.6	6.8
TOTAL	7,660	100.0	100.0

Source: Statistics Canada

4. PHYSICAL LAND-USE

4.1 Property Land-Use and Assessment Value

A breakdown of the land-use by number of acres and total assessed property value for the Strathcona neighbourhood is presented in Table 8.

TABLE 8

LAND-USE ACREAGE AND TOTAL ASSESSMENT VALUE (1982)

Land-Use Characteristic	Acreage*		Total Assessed Value	
	No.	Percent	Dollars	Percent
Residential Individual	115.9	26.1	8,214,872	90.6
Open Space	145.6	32.8	76,591	0.8
Residential Collective	2.6	0.5	17,038	0.2
Institutional	27.4	6.2	343,326	3.8
Office	2.1	0.5	62,645	0.7
Industrial	11.1	2.5	39,187	0.4
Storage and Warehousing	.3	.1	0	0.0
Retail Products and Services	7.8	1.8	192,623	2.1
Transportation, Communication, Utilities and Parking	130.7	29.5	123,391	1.4
TOTAL	443.5	100.0	9,069,673	100.0

* Total acreage should not be interpreted as the total size of the neighbourhood since data for all land parcels is not assembled (particularly for roads, railways and utilities).

Source: Planning and Development Department of Hamilton-Wentworth

The 'Open Space' land-use classification accounts for the largest amount of recorded acreage (about 33%). This is followed by 'Transportation, Communication, Utilities and Parking' (29.5%) and 'Residential Individual' (26.1%). Over 90% of the assessed dollar value of the neighbourhood is accounted for by the 'Residential Individual' land-use classification.

Much smaller portions of land and assessed value are contained within the 'Office', 'Storage and Warehousing', and 'Residential Collective' designations.

4.2 Zoning

The attached zoning map of Strathcona (Figure 3) and Table 9 illustrate the type and location of the various zoning districts in the neighbourhood.

Although there is a diversity of zoning districts, much of the neighbourhood is zoned D - Residential or A - Conservation.

TABLE 9

LIST OF ZONING DISTRICTS (1981)

District	Principal Permitted Uses
A	Conservation, Open Space, Park and Recreation
CR-2	Commercial-Residential
D	Residential (1 and 2 Family)
E	Multiple Dwellings
G-3	Public Parking Lots
H	Commercial
J	Light and Limited Heavy Industrial
K	Heavy Industrial
Lmr-2	Planned Development

Site plan control (By-law No. 79-275) is enforced throughout much of the neighbourhood.

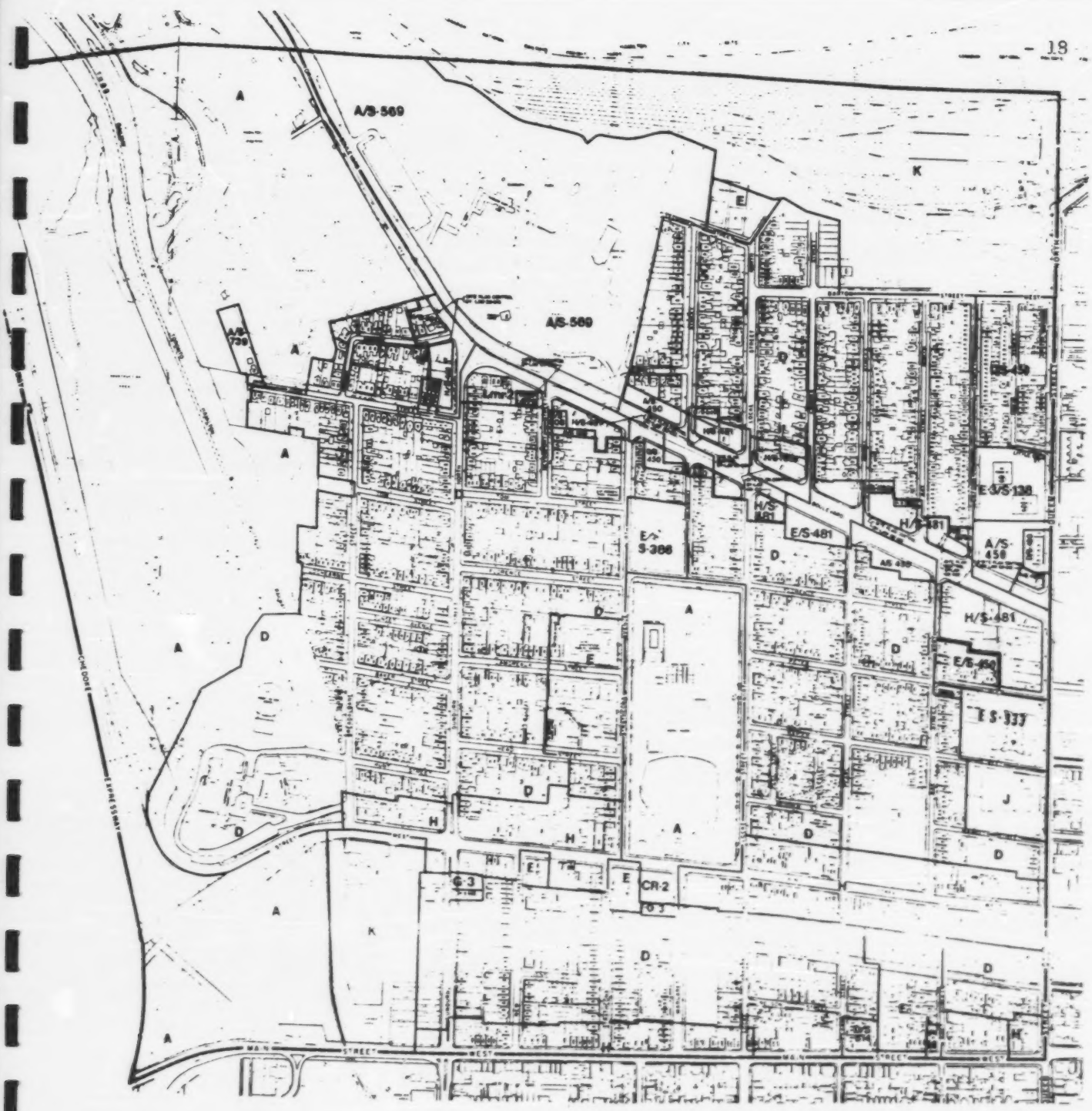


FIGURE 3: STRATHCONA NEIGHBOURHOOD ZONING MAP

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Neighbourhood Boundary Zoning Boundary	SCALE
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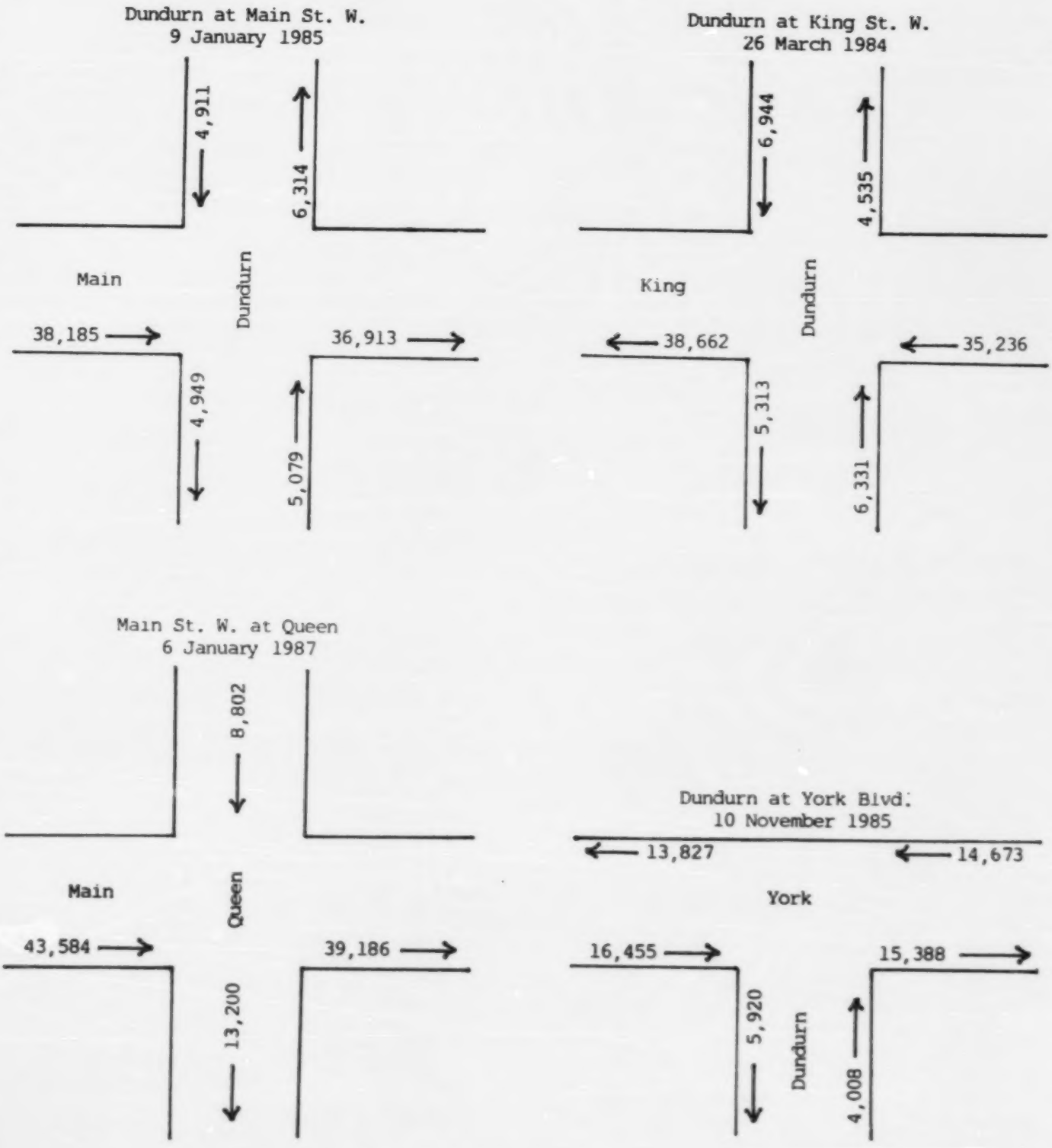
4.3 Traffic Volume

Figure 4 illustrates the traffic volumes for a 24-hour period at a number of intersections in the Strathcona neighbourhood.

The vehicle counts were recorded on the dates shown in each diagram.

FIGURE 4: 24-HOUR TRAFFIC COUNTS (1984-1987)



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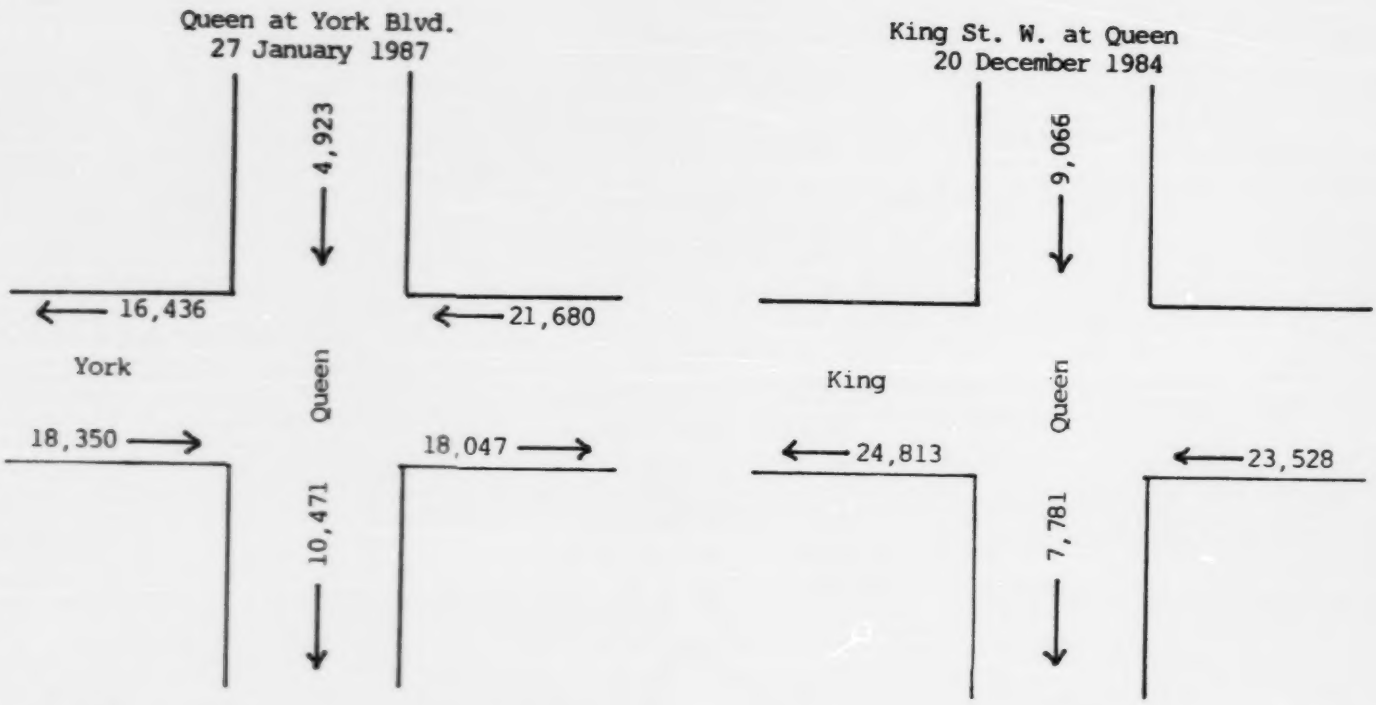

Source: City of Hamilton Traffic Department

5. HOUSING

5.1 Occupied Dwellings

Information about the housing stock and value in the Strathcona neighbourhood is presented in Table 10.

TABLE 10

OCCUPIED DWELLINGS (1981)

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No.	Percent	Percent
Total Occupied Private Dwellings	2,820	100.0	100.0
Owned	1,295	45.9	56.4
Rented	1,525	54.1	43.6
Single-Detached	990	35.1	51.4
Single-Attached	390	13.8	10.5
Apartment (< 5 storeys)	330	11.7	10.2
Apartment (> 5 storeys)	905	32.1	23.9
Duplex	200	7.1	4.0
Average Value of Dwelling	$41,543		$54,552
Average Gross Rent (monthly)	231		291
Average Major Payments for Owners (monthly)	270		346

Source: Statistics Canada

In comparison to the City average, the proportion of people who own their housing (45.9%) is about 10% lower, and conversely, the proportion of renters (54.1%) is about 10% higher. This higher proportion of renters is understandable given the fact that there is a greater percentage of apartments in Strathcona than for the City as a whole.

The average value of dwellings in Strathcona ($41,543) is $13,009 (or 24%) lower than the City average. Average monthly rents and average owners' monthly payments are respectively about $60 and $76 lower than for the City.

5.2 Subsidized Housing

The 736 units in Strathcona represent 7.5% of the total assisted City stock. As Table 11 indicates, over half of the assisted units are family units under the Private Non-Profit Housing program. About 34% of the units are senior units and they fall under the Ontario Housing Corporation program. The neighbourhood contains 29 units for the physically disabled.

TABLE 11

SUBSIDIZED HOUSING (1986)

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No.	Percent	No.
Family Units*	455	61.8	5,444
Senior Units**	252	34.2	4,196
Handicapped Units	29	3.9	117
TOTAL	736	100.0	9,757

* Under Private Non-Profit Housing program

** Under Ontario Housing Corporation program

Source: Planning and Development Department of Hamilton-Wentworth

6. FAMILIES

Information about the composition of families in Strathcona is presented in Table 12. As illustrated, the neighbourhood contains about the same mix of lone-parent to husband-wife families as the City. The average number of persons and children per family for both Strathcona and the City is also relatively equal.

TABLE 12

FAMILY CHARACTERISTICS (1981)

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton	
	No.	Percent	No.	Percent
Husband-Wife Families	1,575	85.4	70,935	86.6
Lone-Parent Families	265	14.4	10,970	13.4
Total No. of Families	1,845	100.0	81,905	100.0
Average No. of Persons/Family	3.2		3.1	
Average No. of Children/Family	1.4		1.2	

Source: Statistics Canada

7. SOCIO-ECONOMIC INDICATORS

7.1 Labour Force

As shown by Table 13, the unemployment rate for males in Strathcona was twice as high as the City average. Young males aged 15-24 years experienced an unemployment rate of 17.6% as compared to 11.4% for the City. The unemployment rate for females in Strathcona was somewhat higher (9.5%) than the City average while the unemployment rate for females 15-24 years was slightly below the City average of 12.4%. The participation

rates for both males and females in the neighbourhood labour force are somewhat lower than for the City at large.

TABLE 13

LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS (1981)

	Strathcona	City of Hamilton
Males in Labour Force	2,215	90,400
Participation Rate	75.1%	77.5%
Unemployed	235	5,035
Unemployment Rate	10.6%	5.6%
15-24 years	17.6%	11.4%
25 years and over	7.7%	3.8%
Females in Labour Force	1,480	64,000
Participation Rate	47.4%	50.7%
Unemployed	140	5,040
Unemployment Rate	9.5%	7.9%
15-24 years	11.6%	12.4%
25 years and over	9.0%	6.1%

Source: Statistics Canada

7.2 Income

7.2.1 Average and Low-Income Distribution

As the data in Table 14 illustrates, the average incomes of Strathcona residents are lower than the City averages in all cases. The average total income and employment income of female residents

are about 10% lower than the City average. For male residents, the average total and employment incomes are 17% lower. Similarly, the average total family income of $20,912 is 17% lower than the City average.

The proportion of both families and unattached individuals who are designated low-income (26.3% and 52.1% respectively) is higher than the low-income proportion for the City of Hamilton by about 10%.

TABLE 14

AVERAGE AND LOW-INCOME DISTRIBUTION (1981)

	Strathcona	City of Hamilton
Average Total Income, male ($)	13,617	16,379
Average Total Income, female ($)	7,168	7,981
Average Employment Income, male ($)	13,934	16,803
Average Employment Income, female ($)	7,360	8,245
Average Census Family Income ($)	20,912	25,203
No. of Low-Income Economic Families	500	13,290
Incidence of Low-Income (%)	26.3%	16.1%
No. of Low-Income Unattached Individuals	610	15,470
Incidence of Low Income (%)	52.1%	42.7%

Source: Statistics Canada

7.2.2 Private Household Incomes

As shown in Table 15, the average private household income in Strathcona ($18,233) is approximately 19% lower than the City average. (Private household income is the total of all incomes of people 15 years of age or over in a single dwelling or unit.)

The proportion of Strathcona residents who have incomes of less than $20,000 is about 12% higher in comparison to the City. Conversely, the number of Strathcona private households making more than $20,000 is 12% lower than the City.

TABLE 15

PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD INCOME (1981)

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No.	Percent	Percent
Under $ 5,000	380	13.2	8.0
$ 5,000-$ 9,999	620	21.6	15.4
$10,000-$14,999	445	15.5	12.5
$15,000-$19,999	300	10.5	12.9
$20,000-$24,999	395	13.8	13.8
$25,000-$29,999	260	9.1	11.7
$30,000-$39,999	265	9.2	15.1
40,000 and over	205	7.1	10.6
Total	2,870	100.0	100.0
Average ($)	18,233		22,393

Source: Statistics Canada

7.3 Education

7.3.1 Educational Levels

Table 16 provides a comparison of the educational levels for the population 15 years of age and over of Strathcona and the City. Slightly more people 15 years of age and over are attending school full-time in Strathcona than the City average. While approximately the same number of people in the neighbourhood have university degrees as in the City, the percentage of the out-of-school population with less than Grade 9 education is higher (12%) than average.

TABLE 16

EDUCATIONAL LEVELS (1981)

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No.	Percent	Percent
Population 15 years and over	6,065	100.0	100.0
Attending School Full-time	805	13.3	11.5
Not Attending School Full-time	5,265	86.8	88.5
Less than Grade 9	2,045	33.7	22.1
Grades 9-13	2,360	38.9	43.4
University degree	355	5.9	6.3

Source: Statistics Canada

7.3.2 School Enrolment

The Strathcona neighbourhood contains three elementary schools within its boundaries. Tables 17A and 17B show the enrolment figures for these schools since the early seventies.

As the tables clearly indicate, the enrolment for each of the schools has dropped over the years. Between 1972 and 1985, the population of Strathcona Elementary School decreased by 58%. The only actual increases occurred in 1979 and 1980. The enrolment at Christ the King Public School decreased each year, with a total decline of 50% between the years 1971 to 1982. In the same years, St. Thomas Aquinas Public School experienced a 26% enrolment drop. In 1982, however, the enrolment figure increased by 12%.

TABLE 17A

SCHOOL ENROLMENT TRENDS (1972-1985)*

	Strathcona Elementary School	
	No.	% Change
1972	486	-
1973	432	- 11.1
1974	389	- 9.9
1975	335	- 13.9
1976	316	- 5.7
1977	297	- 6.0
1978	228	- 23.2
1979	251	+ 10.1
1980	271	+ 8.0
1981	257	- 5.2
1982	231	- 10.1
1983	226	- 2.2
1984	203	- 10.2
1985	202	- 0.5

* As reported at 30 September of each year.

Source: Board of Education for the City of Hamilton

TABLE 17B

SCHOOL ENROLMENT TRENDS (1971-1982)

	Christ the King		St. Thomas Aquinas	
	No.	% Change	No.	% Change
1971	621	-	213	-
1972	586	- 5.6	210	- 1.4
1973	541	- 7.7	207	- 1.4
1974	516	- 4.6	204	- 1.4
1975	502	- 2.7	191	- 6.4
1976	434	- 13.5	172	- 9.9
1977	396	- 8.8	170	- 1.2
1978	391	- 1.3	162	- 4.7
1979	371	- 5.1	155	- 4.3
1980	368	- 0.8	154	- 0.6
1981	334	- 9.2	141	- 8.4
1982	308	- 7.8	158	+ 12.0

Source: Hamilton-Wentworth Roman Catholic Separate School Board

7.4 Mobility Status

Table 18 illustrates the 'mobility' of the Strathcona population. The 'Population 5 Years and Over' figures in the table represent the population which has resided in the area for the past five years or more. This population has been further sub-divided into 'non-movers' (persons who on Census Day, June 3, 1981, were living in the same dwelling they occupied for five years earlier) and 'movers' (persons who on Census Day were living in a different dwelling than the one occupied five years earlier). The table indicates that a larger proportion of Strathcona residents are 'movers' than the City average and a smaller proportion are 'non-movers'.

TABLE 18

MOBILITY STATUS (1981)

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton	
	No.	Percent	No.	Percent
Population 5 years and over	7,105	100.0	284,095	100.0
Non-movers	3,345	47.0	160,500	56.5
Movers	3,755	52.9	123,600	43.5

Source: Statistics Canada

7.5 Occupations

Table 19 presents a description by sex of the occupations of Strathcona residents. Over half of the male residents are employed in machining/product, service, construction trades,

and processing occupations. A large number of females are employed in clerical, service, and machining/product occupations. A significant proportion of females (31%) have clerical and related occupations.

7.6 Industry Divisions

Table 20 classifies the occupations of Strathcona residents according to their industrial division.

A large proportion of both Strathcona and City residents (73.6% and 80.1% respectively) are employed in manufacturing, trade, and community/business/personal service industries. In comparison to the City, a somewhat larger proportion of neighbourhood residents are employed in the primary and construction industries.

TABLE 19

OCCUPATION MAJOR GROUPS (1981)

	Strathcona			
	Male		Female	
	No.	Percent	No.	Percent
Total Labour Force	2,215		1,480	
Occupational - Not Applicable	50		35	
All Occupations:	2,170	100.0	1,440	100.0
Managerial, administrative and related	145	6.7	55	3.8
Teaching and related	45	2.1	50	3.5
Medicine and health	30	1.4	80	5.6
Technological, social, religious, artistic and related	95	4.4	75	5.2
Clerical and related	110	5.0	440	31.0
Sales	115	5.3	75	5.2
Service	265	12.2	260	18.1
Primary	105	4.8	60	4.2
Processing	240	11.0	60	4.2
Machining, product fabricating, assembling and repairing	420	19.3	190	13.2
Construction trades	250	11.5	0	0.0
Transport equipment operating	125	5.8	0	0.0
Other	235	10.8	90	6.3

Source: Statistics Canada

TABLE 20

INDUSTRIAL DIVISIONS (1981)

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No.	Percent	Percent
Both Sexes - Total Labour Force	3,695		
Industry - Not Applicable	80		
All Industries:	3,610	100.0	100.0
Primary	110	3.0	0.8
Manufacturing	1,145	31.7	35.4
Construction	350	9.7	5.9
Transportation, communication and other utilities	180	5.0	5.4
Trade	510	14.1	15.7
Finance, insurance and real estate	130	3.6	4.3
Community, business and personal service	1,005	27.8	29.0
Public administration and defence	175	4.8	3.6

Source: Statistics Canada

8. COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.1 Political Representatives

At the local level, the Strathcona neighbourhood is part of Ward 1 and is represented on the City and Regional Councils by:

Mr. Terry Cooke (Alderman)
389 Jackson Street West,
Hamilton, Ontario.
L8P 1N2

Telephone: business - 528-4261
residence - 521-1087

Ms. Mary Kiss (Alderman)
51 Yarmouth Court,
Hamilton, Ontario.
L8S 3E2

Telephone: business - 526-2731
residence - 525-5932

At the provincial level, the neighbourhood is part of the Hamilton West riding and is represented by:

Dr. Richard Allen (Member of Provincial Parliament)
Constituency Office,
278 King Street West,
Hamilton, Ontario.
L8P 1B1

Telephone: business - 527-2556

At the federal level, Strathcona is part of the Hamilton West riding and is represented by:

Mr. Peter Peterson (Member of Parliament)
Constituency Office,
225 Main Street West,
Hamilton, Ontario.
L8P 1J4

Telephone: business - 529-4770

8.2 Bus Routes

There are seven (7) different bus routes which run through or along the borders of the Strathcona neighbourhood. These routes are:

Route Name	Route Number
Delaware/Main West/West Hamilton/ University	5
Locke	7
York	8
Garth	32
Sanatorium	33
Upper Paradise	34
Sanatorium	51

FIGURE 5: STRATHCONA BUS ROUTE MAP

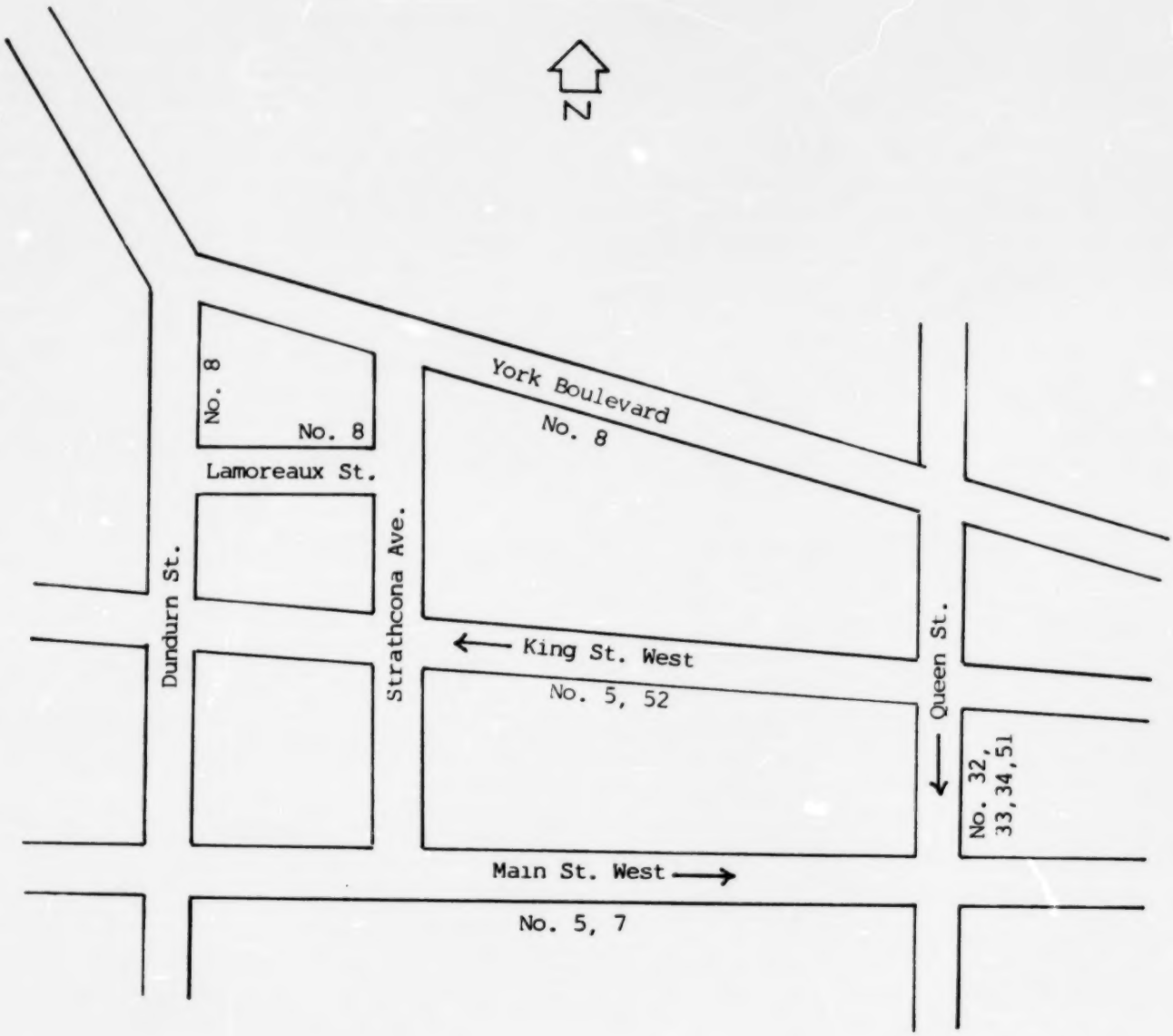

FIGURE 6: YORK BUS ROUTE MAP

Source: Hamilton Street Railway Company

8.3 Churches

There are eight (8) churches located in the Strathcona neighbourhood:

Cathedral of Christ the King
714 King Street West

Dundurn Pentecostal Church
77 Dundurn Street South

Erskine Presbyterian Church
19 Pearl Street North

Hamilton Chinese Alliance Church
50 Breadalbane Street

King Street Baptist Church
458 King Street West

St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church
22 Head Street

St. George's Anglican Church
10 Tom Street

Zion United Church
Pearl Street North

8.4 Schools

As indicated previously in Section 8.3.2., the Strathcona neighbourhood contains three elementary schools. These are: Strathcona (99 Strathcona Avenue North), Christ the King (rear - 714 King Street West), and St. Thomas Aquinas (52 Pearl Street South).

8.5 Parks and Open Space

Strathcona contains four parks and open public space at three schools as indicated below:

Site	Acres	Facilities
Dundurn Park (York Boulevard)	30.5	- historic site (aviary, museum, gift shop) - picnic area - pathway - bandshell - traditional playground - toboggan slope
Kay Drage (Tom Street and 403 Highway)	not given	- proposed baseball, soccer and football areas
Tom Street Park	1.09	
Victoria Park (Locke Street and King St.)	14.0	- traditional playground - creative playground - grassed play area - grandstand - baseball area (4) - 6 tennis courts (outdoor) - natural rink (outdoor) - outdoor pool - wading pool
Strathcona Elementary School (99 Strathcona Street North)	1.30	- asphalt play area - traditional playground - gymnasium (basketball) - climbers
Christ the King (714 King Street West)	2.4	- asphalt play area - gymnasium
St. Thomas Aquinas (52 Pearl Street North)	0.81	- asphalt play area

In almost all cases, the Strathcona neighbourhood is considered to be deficient in the amount of public open space it contains.

8.6 Professional Services

Strathcona contains the following number of professional service practices/practitioners:

4 physicians
1 dentist
1 lawyer (or firm)

8.7 Human Services

8.7.1 General Services

The following human and social services are located within the Strathcona neighbourhood:

Cool School
354 King Street West

Diocesan Office for Family Ministry
700 King Street West

Dundurn Community Legal Services
426 Main Street West

Hamilton Wesley House
401-403 King Street West

Junior League of Hamilton/Burlington (The)
180 George Street

Kirkendall-Strathcona Neighbourhood House
210 Napier Street

McGivney Community Homes Inc.
155 Queen Street North

North West Communicare
210 Napier Street

Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities
(Regional School for Nursing Assistants)
430 York Boulevard

Salvation Army
340 York Boulevard

St. Elizabeth Visiting Nurses Association
698 King Street West

Victoria (Teaching Pool and Tennis Courts)
King Street West at Locke

8.8 Residential Care Facilities and Group Homes

The neighbourhood has five residential care facilities and group homes which serve the needs of special populations.

The facilities are:

Hess Village Manor
36 Queen Street South

Parkview Nursing Home
545 King Street West

Shirley Vanderlaan
153 George Street

St. Olga's Nursing Home
570 King Street West

Wesley House
403 King Street West

Source: Planning and Development Department of Hamilton-Wentworth

9. UTILIZATION OF HUMAN SERVICES

Information in this section relates to the use of major social services and social assistance programs by the Strathcona neighbourhood. The utilization rates (per thousand population) of some of the larger social service agencies provides a general indication of the extent to which neighbourhoods make use of existing services.

9.1 General Services

Table 21 indicates the caseloads and utilization rates of selected social services in the City compared with Strathcona. The neighbourhood residents appear to utilize the social services to about the same extent as City averages.

9.2 Government Assistance

As Table 22 illustrates, the number of people per 1,000 population receiving General Welfare Assistance is quite a bit higher than the City average, while those receiving Family Benefits Allowance is only slightly higher than average.

TABLE 21

COMPARISON OF SELECTED HUMAN SERVICE UTILIZATION RATES

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No. of Cases	Rate*	Rate*
Alternatives for Youth (1982)	7	0.89	0.68
Big Brother Association (1982)	9	1.14	1.11
Catholic Children's Aid Society (1982)	14	1.78	1.93
Catholic Social Services (1982)	22	2.79	2.44
Chedoke Child and Family Centre (1983)	10	1.27	2.03
Children's Aid Society (1983)	27	3.42	2.08
Child and Adolescent Services (1982)	19	2.41	1.68
Dundurn Community Legal Services (1982)	13	1.65	0.45
Elizabeth Fry Society (1982)	6	0.76	0.71
Family Services (1982)	26	3.30	3.89
Extend-A-Family (1984)	3	0.38	0.42
John Howard Society (1983)	14	1.77	1.19
McQuesten Legal and Community Services (1982)	7	0.89	1.71
Meals-on-Wheels (1982)	24	3.04	2.68
St. Matthew's House (1982)	47	5.96	4.38
Victorian Order of Nurses (1982)	144	18.27	14.76
Visiting Homemakers (1982	52	6.60	5.75

* Utilization rate per 1,000 population (using 1982 City population data).

Source: Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton and District

TABLE 22

GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS

	Strathcona		City of Hamilton
	No. of Recipients	Rate*	Rate*
General Welfare Assistance (16 September 1984)	283	35.90	21.85
Family Benefits Allowance (17 June 1981)	188	24.65	23.23
Total	471	60.55	45.08

* Utilization rate per 1,000 population (using 1982 City population data for G.W.A. caseload and 1980 population data for F.B.A. caseload).

Source: Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton and District

10. PROFILE HIGHLIGHTS

The following is a general summary of the significant trends or patterns which have been presented in this profile of the Strathcona neighbourhood.

The Strathcona neighbourhood is a community where:

- the population decreased between 1951 and 1981 by 10%;
- 52% of the population is female;
- 14% of the population is over 64 years and 20% of the population is under 16 years;
- 44% of the population is single;
- 47% of the population is Catholic;
- 41% have British origins;
- 33% of the land is for open space use;
- 54% of the occupied dwellings are rented;
- the average value of dwellings ($41,543) is 24% lower than the City average;
- 62% of the subsidized housing units are family units;
- labour force unemployment rates are higher than City averages;
- average family incomes are 17% lower than the City average;
- the incidence of low income is 10% higher than the City average;
- 6% of the population 15 years and over has a university degree;
- mobility among the population is higher than average;
- 31% of the female population in the labour force have clerical and related occupations;
- 32% of the labour force is employed by manufacturing industries;
- the utilization of major social services is average; and,
- the utilization rate of General Welfare Assistance is higher than the City average.

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